

PM-SHRI scheme

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Why in news?

Kerala's Leader of the Opposition has accused the state government for accepting to implement the PM-SHRI Scheme.

- **PM SHRI Schools** - Prime Minister's **ScHools** for **Rising India** is a **centrally sponsored scheme**.
- **Aim** - To strengthen **select existing schools** to provide high-quality education in an equitable, inclusive and joyful school environment.
- **Launched in** - 2022.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Education.
- **Duration** - Period of **5 years** from year 2022-23 to 2026-27.
- **Implementing Agencies** - Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS), and State/UT education departments.
- **Objective** - To provide equitable, quality, inclusive, and holistic education envisaged by the **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**.
- **Salient Features in Practice**
 - **Holistic, Multidisciplinary Education** - Focus on critical thinking, experiential learning, and competency-based education.
 - Integration of vocational and skill-based learning from an early stage.
 - **Digital & Smart Infrastructure** - Smart classrooms, digital libraries, and use of ICT tools.
 - **Emphasis on green schools** - Energy-efficient buildings, solar power, waste management, and water conservation.
 - **Inclusive & Equitable Learning** - Focus on children from diverse socio-economic backgrounds, including divyang (special needs) students.
 - **Teacher Empowerment** - Continuous professional development through DIKSHA platform and innovative pedagogy training.
 - **Assessment Reform** - Move away from rote learning to competency-

based assessments aligned with NEP 2020.

- **Community and Parental Participation** - Local community, alumni, and parents encouraged to engage in school management and improvement.
- **Progress** - A total of **33 States/UTs and KVS/NVS** have signed the MoU with Ministry of Education for implementation of PM SHRI Scheme.
- Some, including West Bengal, Tamil Nadu have had disagreements with the central government regarding the scheme.

Quick Fact

Education

- It is in **Concurrent List** of the Indian Constitution.
- Originally on the State List, moved via the 42nd Amendment in 1976.
- **NEP, 2020** - Aims to restructure the school curriculum from a 10+2 to a 5+3+3+4 model.
- It emphasizes early childhood care, foundational learning, skill development, and multidisciplinary education to reduce dependence on rote memorization.
- **Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan** - An overarching program encompassing school education from pre-school to senior secondary level, aimed at providing inclusive and equitable quality education.
- **FDI** - 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is allowed in the education sector.
- **Digital Initiatives**
 - **PM e-VIDYA** - Unifies all digital education efforts to provide multi-mode access to learning.
 - **DIKSHA** (Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing) - A national platform for teachers to access and share learning materials.
 - **SWAYAM** - Offers Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) for school and lifelong learners.

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